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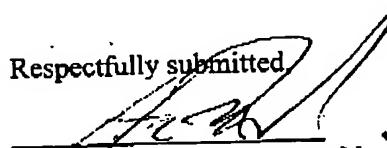
Sir:

Applicants respectfully request the Patent Office to notify the undersigned agent of the current status of the above-identified application. The application was filed over a year and a half ago and to date, an Office Action has not yet been issued by the Office.

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